
Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board

September 3, 2015

Clarification on Consensus Language Submitted by Water Board Prosecution Team and PG&E for the Proposed the Cleanup and Abatement Order (CAO)

On July 8, 2015, the Water Board Advisory Team received a memorandum from the Water Board Prosecution Team containing consensus text for the draft CAO that the Prosecution Team had worked out with PG&E. Upon review of the consensus text, the Advisory Team had several questions about the proposed language. The Water Board must have all pertinent information in hand before considering adoption of a final CAO, which is planned for November 4, 2015. **Responses must be sent to RB6enproceed@waterboards.ca.gov and received by 5 p.m. September 14, 2015:**

Regarding the last sentence in Order section VI.C.1.a)iii, which reads,

If at any time USGS background study information becomes publically available demonstrating the chromium in the western finger is predominantly naturally occurring, no further remedial activities will be required in this area upon approval from the Regional Board Executive Officer.

- a. How is the *publically available* information different from the preliminary results that are expected in 2017? When is information considered “publicly available”?
- b. How is *predominantly naturally occurring* defined? Does it mean 51 percent or more?

Please contact the Advisory Team members if you have questions or need additional information.

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